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Speakers

Science Policy Interface: Improving Data for DRR

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MODERATOR



Claire Doole is a former BBC correspondent (Brussels, Berlin, Geneva, London) and radio presenter. She has facilitated engaging and informative panel discussions with Presidents, Prime Ministers, government ministers, CEO's of Fortune 500 companies, heads of international and non-governmental organizations as well as with senior economists, scientists and healthcare professionals. A former spokesperson for UN Refugee Agency, WWF International and the International Federation of the Red Cross, Claire specializes in moderating discussions on many of the geopolitical and socio-economic issues facing our world such as sustainability, equity, inclusion, and diversity. She also trains moderators and speaker for virtual and hybrid events. Based in Geneva, Claire is a British/Swiss national and is fluent in French and English.

PANELISTS



Marco Massabo is Programme Director for Capacity Development in Disaster Risk Reduction and Civil Protection of CIMA Research Foundation. His approach to capacity development is based on bridging the science-policy interface for improving disaster risk management. He has developed partnership with international organizations such as World Meteorological Organization, UNDRR, UNESCO, UNDP, World Bank, EU DG Echo and Joint Research Centre. He has strong experience in supporting organizations to strength Early Warning Systems, disaster loss data collection, disaster risk assessment for floods and droughts, flood risk management, approximation to EU Floods Directive and Climate Change Adaptation, with extensive experience in Eastern and South Eastern European Countries and Africa.



Tom De Groeve, Ph. D., is Deputy Head of the Disaster Risk Management Unit at the European Commission Joint Research Centre. He has a long career in research in risk management, disaster monitoring and emergency management systems in support of EU and global policy related to disaster risk management. In 2015, he originated the JRC's Disaster Risk Management Knowledge Centre to tackle the science policy interface at EU level. In 2020, Tom co-chaired the COVID-19 Task Force of the JRC.



Jörgen Sparf is an associate professor of Sociology at Mid Sweden University. He is a founding member of the Risk and Crisis Research Centre. He is Sweden's appointed representative in the European Science and Technology Advisory Group of the United Nations office for Disaster Risk Reduction. He is also representing the Risk and Crisis Research Centre in the Global Alliance of Disaster Research Institutes, GADRI.



Beata Janowczyk is the Head of the Risk Assessment and Emergency Planning Unit in the Government Centre for Security in Poland. She acts as National Focal Point of Poland for Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015-2030. She has been working in the Government Centre for Security for over 10 years. Earlier she worked as a chief expert of flood protection in Ministry of the Environment and National Water Management Authority. She holds a Master of Science degree in Engineering from Warsaw University of Life Sciences, postgraduate studies in safety of foundation conditions for buildings, and is a candidate for a doctorate in Environmental Management. She participated in the realization of numerous projects in the field of crisis management in Poland and other countries.



Virginia Murray is a public health doctor, appointed as Head of Global Disaster Risk Reduction for the UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA) in 2014. Since 2020, she has also worked as a UKHSA Senior Public Health Advisor for COVID-19. She is a member of the Integrated Research on Disaster Risk scientific committee, CODATA Executive Committee and of UNSDSN TReNDS network. She is Co-Chair of IRDR's Disaster Loss Data, Chair of the UNDRR/ISC Hazard Classification and Review Technical Working Group Co-Chair of the WHO Thematic Platform Health and Disaster Risk Management Research Network. She is one of the editors of the WHO Guidance on Research Methods for Health and Disaster Risk Management, published in October 2021. She is also a visiting/honorary Professor and fellow at several universities.



Julien Pain is the editor in chief and presenter of the weekly Fact Checking program "Vrai ou Fake" broadcast on the news channel franceinfo. Before that, he created and managed the Observers, a participative news project at the international news channel France 24.

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